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TITLE OF INVENTION: ON-SITE INDUCTION HEATING APPARATUS

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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Please replace original title with title below:

--On-site induction heating apparatus--

Please delete sustained claims 1-6, 8, 57-62, 64-87, and 91-94.

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/Sikyin lp/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1735 July 3, 2011